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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR PATENT

INVENTOR: Reinhold MEIER et al. | DOCKET NO.: 4953  
APPLICATION NO.: 10/582,930 | CONFIRM. NO.: 8153  
FILING DATE: June 13, 2006 | ART UNIT: 3745  
TITLE OF INVENTION: | EXAMINER: N. E. WIEHE  
Gas Turbine Component

MS AMENDMENT  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. BOX 1450  
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

January 20, 2009

Honorable Commissioner:

- 1) For filing in the above application, we are enclosing:
- a) Response (14 pages) to the Office Action of August 19, 2008;
  - b) Term Extension Request; and
  - c) Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038).
- 2) No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

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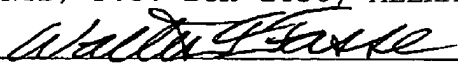
Respectfully Submitted,



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